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May 5, 2004

Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants provide the present Amendment to address the issues raised in the Office Action dated January 5, 2004. Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment and allowance of the present application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.